

--- “Montreal” Division - 1 Pound - Black Consumption Stamps - 1874-1883 ---

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- RM-89** - 1 pound, black, Montreal, perf 12, on *block wmkd* horizontal mesh medium wove - 5 mm. blue controls, inscribed *Dunbar Browne* Coll. I.R.
- RM-90** - 1 pound, black, Montreal, perf 12, on *block wmkd* horizontal mesh medium wove - 5 mm. blue controls, inscribed *Dunbar Browne* Coll. I.R. and stamped **J.L. Vincent / Acting Coll.** - **WANTED!**
- RM-90a** - 1 pound, Montreal, black, perf 12, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh medium wove - 5 mm. controls, inscribed *Dunbar Browne* Coll. I.R., and stamped **J.L. Vincent / Acting Coll.** - **WANTED!**
- RM-92** - 1 pound, black, Montreal, perf 12, on *block wmkd* horizontal mesh medium wove - 4 mm. blue controls, inscribed *J. L. Vincent* Coll. I.R.

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| 1st BABN Contract (1868-1873) | John McKay reports that 108,000 copies of “1 lb., S. M. R. Black” were delivered. Prior to 1874 these would be “Division Open”. |
| 2nd BABN Contract (1873-1878) | John McKay reports that 20,000 copies of “1 lb., Black Tobacco” were delivered. These were probably 12,000 for Montreal; 6,000 for Toronto and 2,000 Division Open - all on <i>block watermarked</i> paper. |
| 3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) | John McKay reports that 50,000 copies of “1 lb., Black, Windsor”, and 40,000 <i>recess printed</i> copies of “1 lb., Black, Montreal”, probably these latter stamps were RM-92 |

--- The “theoretical” control number range of the 1 pound “Montreal” Division black Caddy stamp ---

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| RM-89 - block wmkd medium wove - <i>Dunbar Browne</i> - | - 00001 to ????? |
| RM-90 - block wmkd medium wove - stamped J. L. Vincent / Actg. Coll. | - from the above |
| RM-90a - unwmkd medium wove - stamped J. L. Vincent / Actg. Coll. | - ????? to 30000 |
| RM-92 - block wmkd medium wove paper - <i>J. L. Vincent</i> | - 30001 to 42000 |

Chris Ryan reports that *J. L. Vincent* replaced *Dunbar Browne* as Collector at Montreal on May 1st 1879.

--- The “actual” control number range, as recorded to date ---

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| RM-89 - block wmkd medium wove - <i>Dunbar Browne</i> - | - 00006 a single copy |
| RM-90 - block wmkd medium wove - stamped J. L. Vincent / Actg. Coll. | - 03537 |
| RM-90a - unwmkd medium wove - stamped J. L. Vincent / Actg. Coll. | - from the above |
| RM-92 - block wmkd medium wove paper - <i>J. L. Vincent</i> | - 36112 to 41343 |

The control number **00006** found on the *block watermarked* **RM-89** indicates that it was the original Montreal stamp printed in 1874, and that the *unwatermarked* stamp post-dated it.

--- 1 Pound - Montreal Division - Black Consumption Stamps - 63 x 47 mm. - 1874 ---

--- on block watermarked medium wove at Ottawa under the 2nd BABN Contract - design 63 x 47 mm---

--- perf 12 - with 5 mm. blue controls - scanned at 100% scale - inscribed. *Dunbar Browne, Coll. I.R.* ---

BABN transferred production from Ottawa to Montreal in 1874, and did not return to Ottawa until 1887. The initial copies inscribed *Dunbar Browne* were control numbered with their 5 mm. figures in Ottawa, although the stamps may have been printed by the Montreal plant.

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★**RM-89** - 1 pound, Montreal Division, black, perforated 12, on *block wmkd* medium wove, with 5 mm. control **00006**

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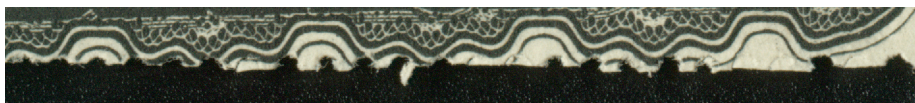
RM-89

1 pound, Montreal Division, black, perf 12, on block wmkd wove



★**RM-89n** - 1 pound, Montreal Division, black, perf 12 (clipped), on *block wmkd* medium wove, *without* control numbering

--- the bottom edge of **RM-89n** - scanned at 300% scale ---



--- 1 Pound - Montreal Division - Black Consumption Stamps - 63 x 47 mm. - 1879 ---

--- on *block watermarked* medium wove at Ottawa under the 2nd BABN Contract - design 63 x 47 mm ---

--- perf 12 - with **5 mm.** blue controls - scanned at 100% scale - inscribed. *Dunbar Browne, Coll. I.R.* ---

stamped *J.L. Vincent / Acting Coll.*

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RM-90 - 1 pound, black, Montreal, perf 12, on *block wmkd* horizontal mesh medium wove, with 5 mm. blue controls, inscribed *Dunbar Browne Coll. I.R.* and stamped *J.L. Vincent / Acting Coll.*

RM-90a - 1 pound, Montreal, black, perf 12, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh medium wove - 5 mm. controls, inscribed *Dunbar Browne Coll. I.R.*, and stamped *J.L. Vincent / Acting Coll.*

The following stamp was on eBay in August 2012. I was unable to outbid the competition. I cannot say whether it is on *unwatermarked* or *block watermarked* paper. It might be **RM-90a**. *This is not in the collection.*



RM-90 - 1 pound, Montreal, black, perf 12, recess printed on *block wmkd* medium wove paper, with 5 mm. control **03537** - stamped *J. L. Vincent / Acting Coll.*

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RM-90

1 pound, black, perf 12, Montreal, on *block wmkd* medium wove, used by Licensee # 21 in January 1880 stamped *J. L. Vincent / Acting Coll.*

--- 1 Pound - Montreal Division - Black Consumption Stamps - 63 x 47 mm. - 1881 ---

--- on block watermarked medium wove at Montreal under the 3rd BABN Contract - design 63 x 47 mm ---

--- perf 12 - with 4 mm. blue controls - scanned at 100% scale - inscribed J. L. Vincent, Coll. I.R. ---

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★ **RM-92** - 1 pound, Montreal Division, black, perforated 12, on *block wmkd* horizontal mesh medium wove, with 4 mm. control number **36112**, stamped **6.17 10 '82** in November 1882, inscribed *J.L. Vincent* Coll. I.R.

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| ★ 36112 | 11/82 | RM-92 | 1 pound, Montreal Division, black, perf 12, on <i>block wmkd</i> wove, stamped 6.17 10 '82 |
| 41343 | 07/83 | RM-92 | 1 pound, Montreal Division, black, perf 12, on <i>block wmkd</i> wove, stamped 6.17 2 '83 |

Chris Ryan, “Canadian Revenue Newsletter”, No. 39, of May 2002

“In September of 1869, the square BOX and CADDY excise stamps were supplemented by twelve new stamps in six denominations for consumption (black) and for warehouse (red). The denomination of these items represented the maximum weight of tobacco to which they could be affixed. Unlike other BABN tobacco stamps in use up to that time, the new denominated stamps were produced from steel plates (intaglio).

The *small* stamp was initially issued in denominations of one-quarter, one-half and one pound. In February of 1880 a one-tenth pound stamp was prepared for use in the Windsor Division. The duty collected by these stamps was to be the full amount represented by their denomination, regardless of the actual weight of tobacco in the package.

In September 1874 the Revenue Department authorized the preparation of the first Division-specific stamps for manufactured tobacco. These stamps bear the printed name of the Revenue Division and signature of its Collector in the spaces previously left blank to be filled in by hand or rubberstamp. The first of these personalized stamps were prepared for use in Montreal and Toronto. It is surmised that similar stamps for other Divisions were subsequently introduced overtime as warranted by numbers used.”

Chris Ryan reports in the “Canadian Revenue Newsletter”, No.41, of March 2003 that all CADDY and BOX stamps were discontinued as of July 1st 1883. At that time they were recalled.

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